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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the final decision dated November 15, 2002 of the Primary Examiner, finally rejecting claims 22-32. The items below are appropriate:

> An Amendment, Petition for Extension of Time and Information Disclosure Statement were filed on April 7, 2003.

The fee of \$320.00 for this Notice is also submitted.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 500.38037X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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